

of seeds which is harvested for the next season crop. Chinese name **Kuan ts'ai** (**Wong ts'ai**), meaning 'Jar vegetable' or 'Bamboo-leaf vegetable'." (Meyer.)

*Passiflora* sp. (Passifloraceae.) 45226. **Passion fruit.** From Oran, Argentina. Presented by Mr. S. W. Damon. "A yellow-fruited, acid type, which I consider much superior to the purple type." (Damon.)

*Prunus conradinae* (Amygdalaceae.) 45215. **Cherry.** Grown at the Plant Introduction Field Station, Rockville, Maryland, from scions presented by Mr. David Fairchild from his place "In the Woods". "Handsome tree, from western China, up to 40 feet in height, with the trunk 8 to 20 inches in diameter, thin, pale green leaves, and white to deep blush-colored flowers, an inch or less across, which appear early in the spring. It is very similar to Sargent's cherry (*P. serrulata sachalinensis*). Its satisfactory behavior over a wide range of territory would seem to indicate its possible use as a stock. It might prove immune to the gummosis disease, or the crown gall or even the peach tree borer, and deserves an extensive trial." (Fairchild.)

*Prunus mume* Sieb & Zucc. (Amygdalaceae.) 45176. **Japanese apricot.** Grown at the Plant Introduction Field Station, Chico, California, from scions presented by Mr. David Fairchild, from his place "In the Woods". "Variety **Ginfukurin**. A white-flowered variety of the so-called 'Japanese flowering plum tree'. These are among the most picturesque of all flowering trees; and compose a large part of the illustrations on Japanese screens. Because of their extreme earliness and the fragrance of their blooms, they deserve a place in our gardens. The fruits are sour but they have a delicious wild flavor and aroma about them reminding one of our wild goose plum. When pickled they form, as do olives with us, an important adjunct to a meal. These pickled mumes form a part of the ration of the Japanese army and their use is said to quench thirst effectually. They are extremely sour and their use with meats might become popular in America. The flowers of many varieties are often caught by the frost; but the **Ginfukurin** is rather slow in coming into bloom, and so is more likely to escape." (Fairchild.)